

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I am alarmed that the media in this country is becoming increasingly concentrated in the hands of a few owners. Regulations such as the cap on cable ownership protect the public's interest in sustaining a diverse and accountable media--an essential tenet of democracy. Do not lift the cap!